

November 19, 2017
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

From the Desk of Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan:

Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. We will celebrate a special Mass at 10 AM to thank God for the blessings that we have received in this past year. It will be bilingual (English –Spanish). There will be no 8:15 AM, Mass but there will be the usual 12:05 on that day. In a time of high anxiety in our nation, it is healthy for us to come to church and thank God for the good people that are part of our lives. “Eucharist” means “Thanks”.

Many thanks to all the people who made our Annual Dinner Dance and Journal so successful. They raised \$8,800.00 for our parish. A special thanks for the cover page of the Journal. It has a great photo of me in my Sunday vestments and another photo in the background working in our garden with the tulips.

Congratulations to Michael Khader who was elected the Yonkers City Council President last Tuesday. Michael is a member of our Arabic Community of the Good Shepherd. I remember him as an altar boy. His father used to be the organist at the Arabic Masses, as he reminds me often, he and I were born on the same day and year.

Our stained glass windows project continues. They have begun to work on the Rose Window. Whether they can finish by Christmas will depend on the weather. They can't work when the temperature drops below 40 degrees. One of our large windows in the nave of the church (behind the statue of St. Teresa) depicts St. Charles Borromeo. His biography is very interesting. He died on November 3, 1884 at the age of forty-six. He was a cardinal and secretary of state at the age of twenty-two for his uncle, Pope Pius IV. He implemented the reform of seminaries and is considered a model pastor. He is the patron of catechists and of catechumens. Why is he placed in such a prominent place in our church? He was the favorite saint of the pastor who built our church, Fr. Corley, whose first name was Charles.

Happy Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2017

Although Thanksgiving is a national holiday, its celebration can certainly be enhanced because it echoes the basic orientation of our Christian faith. As St. Paul so eloquently reminded the bickering Corinthian community, “What do you have that you did not receive? And if you received it, why do you boast as if it were not a gift? (1Cor 4:7).

Every time we celebrate the Eucharist, we remind ourselves that all we have and all we are comes from God. So as we celebrate this Thanksgiving day, we not only thank God for the abundance of goods and freedoms we share as citizens, but also for the gift of God's abiding presence in our lives through the risen Jesus and through the Holy Spirit to sanctify our world. The rectory office will be closed the 23rd and 24th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, November 12, 2017 was \$3,503.00

The second collection this Sunday is for the Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity and Justice.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jesus in today's Gospel tells the parable of the three servants and how they dealt with the talents given to them. Perhaps it is just a coincidence that our word “talent”, which means a gift or skill, is used in this story to refer to a large amount of money. But the connection works for us; as we continue our prayer together today, this may be a good time to reflect on the talents that we have been given and how we have used them in the service of God's reign.

1st Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13 : The value of a worthy woman is beyond measure.

Psalm 128: “Blessed are those who fear the Lord”.

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6: the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30: The parable of the talents.

Reminder if you have not yet paid your child's sacrament fee please do so by no later than December 9, 2017

November 2017:

25th NO Religious Education Instruction today

December 2017:

2nd Religious Education Instruction-9:30 to 11:00am

9th Religious Education Instruction- 9:30 to 11:00am

15th Family Catechesis II from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

16th NO Religious Education Instruction today

23rd NO Religious Education Instruction today “ Christmas Recess”

30th NO Religious Education Instruction today “Christmas Recess”

Mass Schedule for the week of
November 19, 2017 to November 26, 2017
Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on
Thursdays at 7:30pm
Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday November 19, 2017

7:30 for the Parishioners

9:00 Miguel Angel Portillo

11:00 Juvenil Antao

Daughter & Grandchildren

Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues

Tuesday, November 21, 2017:

8:15 Fr. Peter Philominraj (L)

12:05 Elizabeth Devitt

Joan Murphy

John & Philomena Murphy

Wednesday, November 22, 2017:

12:05 Kathleen & Richard Mangan

Maureen & Vinnie Mangan

Thursday, November 23, 2017 Thanksgiving Day:

10:00 am Bilingual Mass of Thanksgiving

12:05 Mass of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24, 2017:

8:15 the Deceased Members of the Donohue Family

12:05 Denis M Mc Mahon

Larry Donohue

the Bonano Family

Saturday, November 25, 2017:

12:05 Virgil Borrelli

5:00 Patricia Zamborsky

7:30 Ruben & Ernesto Sanchez & Anastasia Castro

Wife Angela

William Zamborsky

Anahe Sanchez

Sunday, November 26, 2017:

7:30for the Parishioners

9:00 Merijildo Desiderio & Andrea Tovar

11:00 Regina & Richard Duarte

Torivio Tovar

Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues